

attempt to persuade her not to take that step.

A letter which Miss De Janon wrote on Saturday and addressed to her father, but did not mail, read as follows:

DARLING FATHER: I can't tell you how much I am to you. I have caused you and grandpa so much trouble. I went away because I did not want to go to school, nor did I want to stay in Philadelphia, as I could not live by myself.

I persuaded Fred to go away with me. He was always so kind and good to me and before leaving swore over mamma's grave that he would never wrong me in any way, and that he would treat me as if I were his own daughter. He has proven himself a gentleman for he has kept all of his promises.

I can only speak in the highest terms of him for he is a good hearted man.

It is all nonsense for me to say I was in love with him, for I was not for I only cared for him as a dear, good friend. If we are caught I am going to kill myself as I would not want to go back again.

Please, papa dear, take Tooley [meaning her fox terrier] and always keep her with you. Be kind and good to her and take the best care of her.

Now please grant me one favor. Please forgive me and try to think kindly of me; also ask Mrs. Cohen to please forgive me, as I did not realize what trouble this thing would bring when I coaxed her husband to go away with me.

Please do not prosecute Fred, but be thankful to him for the beautiful way he has treated your daughter. It was all my fault.

Good-bye, dear papa and grandpa.

ROBERTA.

P. S.—Don't forget Tooley.

"The man came to my house last Thursday and engaged a room, paying for it in advance," said Mrs. Frank Perrin, the landlady at 65 West Superior street.

"He said that he was here with his daughter and that his wife and another daughter would arrive from Montreal within a few days. After looking at the room he went away and in about two hours returned with the girl."

"They kept very much to themselves and it was not till I saw the story in the papers that I knew the missing Philadelphia girl that I suspected anything was wrong. Then I told the police and the arrests followed."

Frederick Cohen is typical of the class to which he belongs. With his hair correctly parted and a bland smile playing over his features, he is representative of the water at a better class hotel.

"Yes, I love Miss De Janon and wanted to take care of her," he said. "I tried very hard to find employment in Chicago, but with no success. When Miss De Janon would talk of suicide I always tried to cheer her up. I never made any demand on any of her money. I do not know what they will do with me when I get back to Philadelphia, but I am willing to take my chances."

Questioned as to the probable reception his wife would give him, Cohen said that he would explain the case to her. "I am sure she will understand me and forgive me," he said.

LIEUT.-COM. REEVES IS FIT.

Retiring Board Say He Is Able to Perform Any Duties Assigned to Him.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Lieutenant-Commander Joseph Mason Reeves, U. S. N., ordnance officer of the Atlantic fleet, one of the younger officers of the navy, probably will escape retirement for physical disability in spite of the fact that he was unable to complete the fifty-mile walking endurance test on account of a weak heart. He completed forty miles but could go no further. He was ordered before a retiring board to determine whether or not his physical condition was such as to permit him to remain on active service. The medical members of the board who examined him reached the conclusion that he was physically able to perform any naval duties that may be assigned to him, and it is likely that he will be allowed to remain on the active list.

NAVY REORGANIZATION.

Plan to Weed Out Inefficient Officers Is Perfected.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The plan for the reorganization of the navy, which is expected to keep and advance the best officers in the service and which will remove those who have been proved inefficient without the wait now necessary for retirement, has been perfected and will be submitted to President Taft within a few days. The President referred to the needed reorganization of the navy in his annual message and is known to favor the scheme which has been drafted, although he desires to look into the details before he passes upon it finally.

Under the present plan, which has been worked out by Capt. Roy Smith of the General Board of the navy, officers will be promoted from grade to grade after a service of a fixed number of years in each grade irrespective of whether or not there are any vacancies or not. If by such promotion there are more officers in any one grade than the tonnage and boats of the navy demand, the number of officers in the grade will be reduced by one-third or one-half or more, while those in the higher grades will be retired on three-quarters pay as at present.

The new plan, it was said, will not cost more than the present one, because more officers will be retired at the smaller rates and less at three-quarters pay. Officers between the ages of 35 and 45 will come within the scheme. All grades from that of lieutenant-commander up will be affected.

Nominations by the President.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The President sent to the Senate to-day the following nominations:

To be Assistant Treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia, Joseph Boesler.

To be Pension Agent at Detroit, Mich., Oscar A. Jones.

To be Lieutenant-Colonel of Army Medical Corps, James D. Glennan, to be Major, James W. Van Dusen.

To be First Lieutenant of Medical Reserve Corps, Richard S. Lee of New York, William Williams Keen of Pennsylvania, William Michael Coplin of Pennsylvania, William Campbell Posey of Pennsylvania, Walter Orrin Howell of California and George Morgan Murr of New York.

To be Postmaster at South Glensbury, Conn., Adelbert W. Crane, at Garden City, N. Y., Clara Doughty.

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THE COST OF LIVING.

President Taft Favors the Plan for an Investigation by Congress.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Senator Stephen B. Elkins of West Virginia, who has introduced a resolution calling for the creation of a commission to investigate the cost of living, had a talk with President Taft to-day on that subject, and said afterward that the President was heartily in favor of such an investigation. The President thought that since every man in the country was interested in it, it was worth a Congressional probe. He favored a commission of seven members, and consequently Senator Elkins will probably amend his resolution in that respect.

According to Senator Elkins it would be better for the Republican party to look into the high cost of foodstuffs than to let it go by and have its indifference used in the Congress campaign next fall. Senator Elkins himself has received scores of letters and telegrams since he introduced his resolution praising his action and urging a thorough investigation. He said that while it was possible that it would be nothing but a waste of time for Congress, the causes may be uncovered and publicity may do much.

ARMY BILL IN THE HOUSE.

Effort to Reduce Appropriation for Military Encampment Is Defeated.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The House of Representatives was in session from 10 o'clock to 11 o'clock to-day, the entire day being spent in consideration of the army appropriation bill under the five-minute rule. The feature of the otherwise dull debate was the sharp contest waged by Representative Mann of Illinois in his effort to reduce the sum to be appropriated for military encampment purposes from \$1,350,000 to \$1,000,000. On a division vote he failed by a large majority.

The army bill will be finished to-morrow and sent over to the Senate on its route to final passage.

President Has Two Dinner Invitations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—President Taft received two invitations to dinners to-day, the first from the American Peace and Arbitration League and the second to the annual affair of the University Club of Washington. The dinner of the peace organization is to be held in New York, probably on March 22. The President intends to go to New Haven on the 21st and said that he would likely stop off on his return for the dinner. Former Senator McCready of Kentucky, Senator Taylor of Tennessee, the Rev. John Wesley Hill of New York, Henry Claws, the banker, and several other officers and directors of the League have been invited to the dinner. Senator Elkins asked Mr. Taft to go to the University Club dinner, which is to be held February 28.

Army and Navy Orders.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—These army orders were issued to-day:

Second Lieut. Fred W. Boehnen, Sixteenth Infantry, to his regiment.

Lieut. J. H. Shook, Medical Corps, from Chicago to Fort Logan.

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REPUBLICANS FACE A CRISIS

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those members like the two mentioned above, who would be intensely relieved and wonderfully benefited if Mr. Cannon would only announce his contemplated retirement, think that Mr. Taylor's action in "biting the hand that fed him," as they express it, was outside the pale.

The situation in the House is getting more acute every minute; there seems to be no doubt of that. The spunking of the House organization by a combination of insurgents and Democrats the other day seems to have had an astonishing moral effect, or, as the regulars choose to put it, an "immoral" effect. The special tariff session of Congress and in which he took an active part, seemed himself with war paint again to-day and is now whooping it up as lively as ever. The report around the Capitol was that Mr. Cannon subsided and endeavored to call the other insurgents off when he was assured by Speaker Cannon's friends that Mr. Cannon was about ready to resign.

"Dear heaven!" said one of the active minority members to-day. "We have nothing to lose and everything to gain. We are making the very visible rift in the lute wider than ever and we are happy in the turning of the trick. We will help all we can and be mighty sorry that the opportunity has been lost."

Representative Gardner of Massachusetts, who has been in a state of passive revolt ever since the rules row in the House at the beginning of the special tariff session of Congress and in which he took an active part, seemed himself with war paint again to-day and is now whooping it up as lively as ever. The report around the Capitol was that Mr. Cannon subsided and endeavored to call the other insurgents off when he was assured by Speaker Cannon's friends that Mr. Cannon was about ready to resign.

"We are banded together for a single purpose and for no other. Our sole aim as a body is to restore to the House its constitutional prerogative, to prevent legislation in accordance with the will of a majority of its members. We are striving to destroy the system of autocratic control which has reached its climax under the present Speaker."

CANNON'S WISH FOLLOWED.

Senate Passes Ballinger-Pinchot Resolution as It Came From the House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The Senate to-day passed the resolution authorizing the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation. The vote was unanimous. The Public Lands Committee changed the form of its report agreed to on Saturday and at the request of Speaker Cannon accepted the House amendment permitting the House, instead of the Speaker, to select House members of the committee.

Senator Newlands, on observing the change, said he was glad the committee had been relieved of the responsibility of selecting the members of the committee, but which Vice-Chairman Tamm says he never saw and which Mr. Taft is now understood not to have given. The committee is now understood to be a whole lot to irritate members who are now wavering between love and duty, between allegiance to the Cannon cause and the desire to see the reservation and save their political existence and bring them into the insurgent camp.

The Republican claims to be worrying not a little bit, but is certain that the insurgents and Democrats will be defeated on the next vote and Congress will be adjourned.

"Wait until next time," they say with confidence, "and we will be there with bells on."

It is reported here that newspapers in the district represented by Representative Bernard of Indiana have threatened to steal his soap unless he gets in line with the majority.

A brief executive session closed the day in the Senate. A number of nominations were made, most of them by voice, after which the Senate adjourned until to-morrow noon.

PINCHOT'S REPLY TO TAFT.

His Supporters Say It Will Contain Some Hot Stuff.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Gifford Pinchot, who was removed as Government Forester by President Taft on Friday last for insubordination, was busily engaged to-day with Overton Price, late Associate Forester, who was removed also, in preparing a statement in reply to the President's letter removing him. His point of view that the Government Forests are public property and that they should be managed for the benefit of the people, and that it will make the controversy far more bitter and acute than it has been. No one seems to know the exact nature of it, however. Mr. Pinchot said to-night that he did not know when the answer would be completed and given out for publication.

A. E. Poter, Assistant Forester, who was named as the official to whom Mr. Pinchot should turn over the affairs of his office, expected to arrive in Washington to-morrow morning, when he will assume charge as acting Forester.

In his absence, Solicitor McCabe of the Department of Agriculture is acting. Mr. McCabe said to-day that no friction whatever marked Mr. Pinchot's departure from the office. Mr. Pinchot, he said, was allowed to select his private papers and records without any interference.

Whether Mr. Poter will be appointed Forester to succeed Mr. Pinchot has not been determined.

INSURGENTS AFTER BURKETT.

Nebraska Republicans Organize to Defeat Senator Taft Rapped.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 10.—Insurgency in Nebraska broke into flame to-day when thirty Republicans, most of them local leaders, met and issued a call for a State meeting of progressive Republicans next week to form a permanent organization. Resolutions were adopted as follows:

Resolved, That we favor a State organization of progressive Republicans to endorse a candidate for United States Senator in opposition to Senator Burkett, whose policy in the United States Senate ought to be condemned by the people, and that a progressive Republican ought to be elected in his place.

Resolved, That we express our sympathy and hearty indorse the action of all genuine insurgents in Congress and urge them to fight it out on this line if it takes all summer.

A copy was wired Congressman Norris. A number of incendiary speeches were made. President Taft was in for severe censure and he narrowly escaped being denounced in the resolution along with Burkett. Mayor Love, City Attorney Plumb and a dozen other Republicans took part, along with two aspirants for Congress.

Burkett was denounced by one speaker as 51 per cent. standard and 49 per cent. progressive, and it was predicted that if he were left unopposed Bryan or some other Democrat would be elected Senator next fall.

Pinchot's Successor Announces His Policy.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Jan. 10.—A. F. Potter on his way to Washington to succeed Gifford Pinchot as head of the Forestry Bureau said to-day that his personal knowledge of Western conditions would bring the forest service into closer harmony with the people. He added that his policy would be more favorable to Western industries than that of Pinchot.

Third Submarine Division of Atlantic Torpedo Fleet.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The third submarine division of the Atlantic torpedo fleet has been organized and will consist of the submarines Grayling, Norwhal, Stingray, Tarpon, Bonita, Salmon and Snapper. The Castles and Nina will serve as tenders. This submarine division will remain at Boston until spring.

TAFT RAILROAD BILL PUT IN

TOWNSEND OF MICHIGAN PRESENTS IT IN THE HOUSE.

In Its Main Features It Follows Recommendations in President's Message.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The Administration's bill amending the interstate commerce law was introduced in the House to-day by Representative Townsend of Michigan. It will be presented to the Senate to-morrow by Senator Elkins. A conference was held to-day in Senator Elkins's room at the Senate at which Attorney-General Wickersham, Senator Elkins and Representative Townsend were present. A few unimportant changes were made in the bill. The measure in its main outlines follows the recommendations in the President's message.

"The bill is framed to cure defects discovered under the operation of the interstate commerce law since 1908 and to make more effective the attempt to secure justice between carriers and their patrons under law," said Mr. Townsend, discussing his bill. "The carriers will not observe the old common law which declares that common carriers must impose only just and reasonable charges and regulations without additional legislation. That has been conclusively settled by experience."

"Lately the carrier has seen fit to contest practically every order made by the commission, and cases have been taken into various Federal courts. Judges of these courts, being unfamiliar with this class of cases and having besides much other work on hand, have not been able to dispose of commerce cases as expeditiously as the needs of the country demanded. Furthermore, the decisions rendered by these courts have not had that uniformity which the importance of the cases required."

"It is thought that a special court should be established to have exclusive original jurisdiction over matters growing out of orders of the commission. This court is to be composed of five Circuit Judges who shall serve by assignment of the Chief Justice for a term of five years, but no two of the Judges' terms will expire at the same time, and thus under all circumstances four of the Judges will have had several years experience with these technical questions."

"When an order of the commission is contested in the commerce court the petition of the carrier taking the matter into the court does not stay the operation of the order, nor can it be enjoined except by the court or by some member of it, and then only upon notice and hearing, except in cases where irreparable injury would be caused by such notice and hearing, in which case the court or Judge granting the injunction must make a finding from facts to the effect that irreparable injury would result."

"Provision is made for the prosecution and defense of all matters taken into the commerce court by the Department of Justice. For this purpose it is proposed to appoint an assistant to the Attorney General who shall have special charge of such cases."

"Owing to the complexity of rate schedules and the difficulty of understanding them by shippers, it is proposed to compel the carrier to correctly quote in writing upon the written request of a shipper any rate between the place of proposed shipment and any other place on the carrier's line or any line with which the initial carrier has traffic arrangements as evidenced by joint published tariffs."

"In case an error in rate is given in writing, whereby a shipper is injured, the carrier whose agent has made the mistake is subject to a penalty of \$250, to be collected by and paid to the Government."

"Under existing law the carrier can change a rate or regulation by giving a notice to that effect thirty days in advance. It is proposed that whenever notice of change is made, the proposed rate or regulation may be tested as to its propriety at any time after such notice is filed, and if the commission is satisfied that justice requires the suspension of the operation of the proposed rate or regulation it can suspend it until the question has been determined."

"The bill provides that classifications of freight shall be subject to the same rules and regulations as to justice and reasonableness that individual and joint rates are now."

"At present the road receiving the shipment elects to which one of the connecting lines it will be forwarded."

Justice Lorton's Assignment.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Justice Lorton of Tennessee, who was recently appointed to the bench of the Supreme Court of the United States as successor to the late Justice Peckham, was to-day assigned to the Second Circuit, taking the place of his predecessor, The Second Circuit includes the States of New York, Connecticut and Vermont.

No Action on Standard Oil Case.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—No action was taken to-day by the Supreme Court on the Government's motion to advance the Standard Oil dissolution suit.

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